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Letter dated 29 June 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the Federated States of Micronesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a letter from the Secretary of External Affairs of the Federated States of Micronesia dated 22 May 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 69 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) Jesse B. MAREHALAU
Ambassador/Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Letter dated 22 May 1992 from the Secretary of External Affairs of the Federated States of Micronesia addressed to the Secretary-General

On behalf of the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia and in my capacity as Secretary (Minister) of External Affairs, I have the honour to inform you that the Federated States of Micronesia wishes herewith to inform you of the following declaration setting out the position of the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia with regard to international agreements entered into by the United States of America and made applicable to the Federated States of Micronesia by the United States of America pursuant to the United Nations Trusteeship Agreement for the former Japanese Mandated Islands.

I would accordingly be grateful if you would arrange for this declaration to be issued as a United Nations document for circulation among the Member States and affiliated organizations. For this purpose, a declaration concerning treaties previously applied is set out hereunder.

Declaration

On 3 November 1986, the application of treaties and international agreements to the Federated States of Micronesia by virtue of the application of treaties by the United States of America to the United Nations Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, ceased. With regard to all bilateral treaties validly concluded by the United States on behalf of the Federated States of Micronesia, or validly applied or extended by the former to the latter before 3 November 1986, the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia declares that it will examine each such treaty and communicate its views to the other State party concerned. In the meantime, the Federated States of Micronesia will continue to observe the terms of each treaty that validly so applies and is not inconsistent with the letter or the spirit of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia, provisionally and on a basis of reciprocity. The period of examination will extend until 3 November 1995, except in the case of any treaty in respect of which an earlier statement of views is or has been made. At the expiration of that period, the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia will consider such of these treaties which could not by the application of the rules of customary international law be regarded as otherwise surviving, as having terminated.

It is the earnest hope of the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia that during the aforementioned period of examination the normal processes of diplomatic negotiations will enable it to reach satisfactory accord with the States parties concerned upon the possibility of the continuance or modification of such treaties.

With regard to multilateral treaties previously applied, the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia intends to review each of them individually and to communicate to the depository in each case what steps it wishes to take, whether by way of confirmation of termination, confirmation of succession or accession. During such period of review, any party to a multilateral treaty that has, prior to 3 November 1986, been validly applied or extended to the Federated States of Micronesia and is not inconsistent with the letter or spirit of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia may, on a basis of reciprocity, rely as against the Federated States of Micronesia on the terms of such treaty.

(Signed) Resio S. MOSES
Secretary